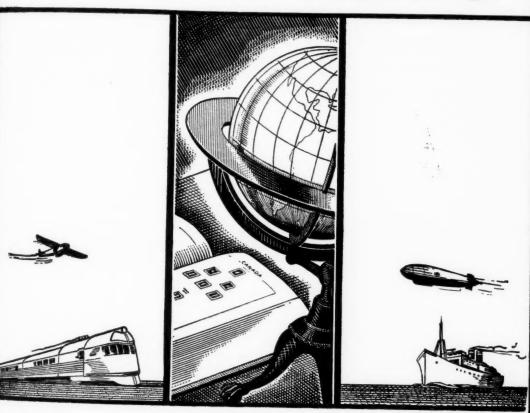
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E have had a number of requests from our readers for information on this second distinct type of the current design of

the 2c stamp, so we are reprinting in part from the article on this subject, written by Mr. H. M. Southgate and George W. Brett, in the May issue of Official publication of the Bureau Issues Association:

"In the April, 1931, issue of the Bureau Specialist it was announced that a new die had been made for the current 2c stamp and that the first plates to be made from transfer rolls from this die had been assigned numbers 19644-45. Collectors were requested to watch for these plates and to check for a new type.

When the first stamps from these plates were available, a casual inspection apparently indicated nothing sufficiently important to warrant the classification of a new type. It is true the design stood out very clearly but this was attributed to the early impression from a new plate made from a new transfer roll from a new die.

The original 2c type I, 1922 die number 686 was made from the design of C. A. Huston by transferring the portrait from the 2c 1908 die 427 and combining with a new frame, die 706. The number 686 was assigned July 26, 1922. The engraving was done by Messrs. J. C. Benzing, Edward Myers and E. M. Hall.

Die 427 was made also from designs by C. A. Huston and the portrait was engraved by M. W. Baldwin. The number was assigned September 29, 1908. According to King & Johl, from whose fine work these names are taken, the portrait was from a photograph of the Houdon-Mt. Vernon bust. The photograph in the Bureau was apparently not taken from the Mt. Vernon original but from a copy as there are marked differences in the shoulders. The new die 706 was used for the frames of all values of the original series up to the 15c.

This Type I die made hundreds of impressions on transfer rolls, which in turn have entered all the 2c subjects of the current series for flat and rotary, 400—360—170 and 150 subject plates. Thus, the original die has had a lot of use and a new die being prepared gives us the Type II.

This new die which is number 771 was made by transfer by roll 1455 which was from the Type I die 686. The new die was touched up, the working giving the differences mak-ing the Type II. The die number was assigned October 24, 1928. But one transfer roll 1512 was made from the new die which in turn entered six 400 subject plates numbers 19644-45 and 19744 to 47, inclusive, and nine 170 subject coil plates numbers 19682 to 86 and 19748 to 51, inclu-The 400 subject plates were certified between Nov. 30, 1928, and March 23, 1929; the coil plates between February 1 and April 10, 1929. Normal printings were made from all of these plates, between December, 1928, and May, 1930, all plates being cancelled by June 30, 1930.

All 2c plates of higher numbers than 19751 have been made from transfer rolls from the original Type I die 686 and no further plates have been transferred by roll 1512. While this roll has not been canceled, it is not likely to be used again as the impression is perhaps considered too "strong."

While printings from the above listed plates were all shipped months ago, collectors should be on the look-out for these numbers as the late date of announcing a new type will result in relatively few being saved. As a clearly identifiable type every one who seeks completion will desire the variety. The opportunity to find this Type II coil in use should be good, but as far as I know only two numbers, 19748, and 19749, have been so far reported. All of the sheet numbers are known.

If one watches for the sharp hair lines on the top of Washington's head the type should be easily identified with a little practice.

Characteristics of die 771, Type II as compared with the original die 686, Type I.

General: We have a lighter appearance. This is particularly noticeable in the head and the outside ladder effect, frame line, and boxed circles in the corners and would indicate that no wholesale touching-up of the transferred die was done (of the corners LL is lightest with UR next) even so, it is the writer's opinion that many lines have been gone over. It is also true that, were it not for four or five certain lines that were touched-up and enlarged, it is very likely that stamps produced from this die could not be considered of any real difference. So carefully was the cleaning up and making of the second die done that the writer is unable to state that any new lines (not on the first die) were added. Perhaps a slight segment may have been added here and there but nothing of consequence.

Specific characteristics: These will be presented under two groupings, major and minor. It should be borne in mind, that in ascertaining these and the general characteristics, clearly printed stamps were used and that only those listed under the classification of major differences can be entirely leaned upon in a general run (of stamps). Those under the classification of minor are fair but should only be taken lightly.

Major Differences

1. There is an area on die 771 at the top of the head towards the back where the lines have been deepened; three lines towards the left are particularly outstanding and constitute the most easily recognizable characteristic of the die.

2. The curved line making up the left side of the left scroll has been deepened starting practically from the base at the side of the numeral and continuing up about half-way and making this line practically of even color. On die 686 the lower half of this line was rather faint and as a result this is another easily recognizable point for the new type.

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3. The left scroll bounds one end of the panel containing UNITED STATES POSTAGE and at the place where the outer white curved line of the panel meets the scroll on die 771, the outer line of the scroll has been touched-up. This particular segment on die 686 was a little weak and not very prominent so we again have a fairly good difference on die 771 although it is not as good as the previous two

Minor Differences

4. Other sections of the outlines of the scrolls were touched in making the new die. On the left scroll the under side of the circular end has been deepened. The same has been done on the right scroll except that here the outer line has been deepened on around to the panel inclosing UNITED STATES POSTAGE.

5. The upper side of the acanthus leaf in connection with the scrolls has been touched up on both left and right sides of the stamp, that on the right being the best.

6. The LL corner is particularly light. The outside frame line where it comes to the corner thins down especially the horizontal one. The boxed circle, etc., in the immediate vicinity reflects this also.

7. The head has been outlined starting from a little above the tip of the nose on up to where the fore-

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8. In general the front and back of the evebrow has been deepened and also the eve itself and this combining with the lack of small detail tends to accentuate this part of the head. The non-appearance of some of the fainter dots results in a light spot at the left side of the eyeball, more noticeable than on die 686.

9. The general lightness, due to the loss of small detail, is also apparent back of the nostril and down to the back of the mouth. There are approximately three curved vertical rows of dots in here but on the new die only the heavier middle row is much in evidence and it does not appear to run up quite as far as on the old die.

10. On the ear a curved vertical line towards the front is more noticeable on die 771 and two of the short heavy horizontal crossing lines just in front of the tip are enlarged. It is very probable that other lines in the vicinity have been touched-up but these are the most evident.'

Will It Be Double Cross

Rumors are that the original list of Heroes to appear on the Army-Navy Stamps may be changed. Do not the postal officials know that already collectors and dealers have spent thousands of dollars in advertising, buying covers, etc., based on the announcement that these officials made. Are collectors to be given another slap by invalidating all of this cash that has been spent thus far and causing them to spend again because of the whims of someone, somewhere who wants some of the subjects changed. America is one country now, it is time to quit fighting our past wars over again.

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In Washington only 178,500 covers bearing the Susan B. Anthony stamp were mailed. That fact should be significant to all interested parties that Washington does not have the 'pulling power" a city in the States has. In a State there is widespread publicity, patriotic and civic bodies join to celebrate the honor that has been conferred upon their State, and the result shows in the sale of stamps and covers mailed. This should close the argument of those desiring to make Washington the first day city

for all new stamps. It may bring forth the argument that more covers were not mailed because the stamp was put out for political purposes. This will not hold water for a true collector will not pass-up a chance to fill his album just because he does not favor the issue-look at the Farleys.

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(E-F)

Those who had covers with the mail clerk of the USS Alden, as advised here some time ago, for its Asiatic cruise will get back a fine cachet, as the commander of this vessel, at personal cost to himself, had one Here is a case when the ANCS did not hear of the event early enough to supply the cachet. Sorry, skipper, but next time we'll try to be on the job.

Tazewell Nicholson, 724 6th St., Portsmouth, Va., advises that he will hold covers for such cancellations as money order, parcel post, straight lines, ship seals, etc., and that all must be returned under cover, therefore in sending him covers, inclose large return envelopes for them to come back to you. He will cover 50 ships, he says. (M)

C. H. Wainscott, mail clerk of the USS Medusa, has won the plaudits of collectors everywhere for his sterling service on covers during the fleet visit to Honolulu. I suggest that you who have benefited by his generous services, drop him a line of thanks and, better still, address a nice duplicate cover to him. If you want Medusa cancels, and nice ones, send covers to him at San Pedro, Calif.

(A-B-E-T) Sales Manager Camille Lacombe. 1800 W. Fayette St., Syracuse, N. Y., requests that members desiring to be placed on the ANCS circuits, drop him a card and make direct application, as he finds many who voted for the department are now asserting they do not wish circuits. For the department to function members must make it active, so drop Cam a line and tell him your wishes.

"Sea Power: What Is It?" has been announced as the slogan this year for Navy Day and indications are that this will be the greatest the nation has ever commemorated, therefore it will be memorable in many respects, all of which means to get your covers ready and as cachets and mailings for that date are announced, cover them. You will not be sorry.

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A warning has just been issued for specialists in Ceylon to guard against fake double centers of the 2 rupees, carmine and green (Scott's #255, type A46). No genuine specimens of this "error" have appeared, and several now in existence have been condemned as fakes, caution is advised regarding the purchase of any such copies. Also the same warning applies to the Silver Jubilee series. Fakers in Ceylon used to specialize in inverted surcharges, but they have lately turned to double centers as a regular line of activity. Readers are urged to secure a certificate from an expert with their purchase of any such items. No person offering such items in good faith will object to the request for a certificate.

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Again, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing have produced a stamp of which all connected with the issue may well feel proud. The designer, the man who approved the design, the engravers and the printers may feel justly satisfied with the Susan B. Anthony stamp.

Too many of the recent issues have been ruined in appearance by being that are not collectors covers and it overcrowded with superfluous miniature sketches and what not to appease the demand of people who had no knowledge of the effect that such overcrowding would produce.

The new Anthony stamp is a model that could well be followed in many of our general issues for simplicity has always lent itself to beauty and the plain and simple design of the Anthony stamp will make it rank as one of the year's outstanding issues.

We desire to thank James Waldo Fawcett of Washington and Middleton of Palmyra, N. Y., as well as others for first day covers.

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These figures more nearly represent the actual demand for first day covers for collectors. Even these figures carry a large number of covers is probable that somewhere between 100,000 and 150,000 would best represent the actual number of covers for collectors.

When stamps are issued for the various states and first day cities are designated in these states there are invariably heavy mailings by stores, and civic bodies who take advantage of the advertising value of mailings under stamps used on the first day of their issue. Such things are not done with stamps having their first day sale at Washington, at least not to the extent that is done in the cities where such an issue is an event of a lifetime.

NATIONAL PHILATELIC WEEK

Last year, when National Stamp Week was first proposed, Linn's Weekly got behind the movement and produced small gummed poster stamps as well as large posters for advertising and boosting the week and altho it was but a new idea, the week was observed in many cities throughout the country.

This year, the name of the week has been changed to National Philatelic Week. We believe that the change from STAMP to PHILA-TELIC is not for the best for the general public would certainly more readily understand the former than the latter term and it is to the general public that we must appeal to derive the most good. The collector would readily understand either word but the public is in doubt about the word PHILATELIC.

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VISITING A BROTHER STAMP COLLECTOR

Your editor, accompanied by Mrs. Linn, made his annual pilgrimage to Fostoria, Ohio, on Sunday, August 30th, for a game of golf with Bob Wagner of the Miami Stamp Company. This has become an annual event and on September 20th, Bob will come to Columbus for a return match.

Before the game, we enjoyed one of those delicious Country Club Dinners as served by Mrs. Lafferty at the Fostoria Country Club, while after the game a pleasant round table discussion occupied a pleasant hour.

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Bob took a 46-48-94. Perhaps it was the touch of fall weather that put the pep into my playing. Anyhow, Bob expects to come down here on the 20th and get revenge.

Kenneth Boley, a collector from Bowling Green, and Fred Yaryan, a Fostoria friend of Bob Wagner, made up the foursome. Mrs. Boley and daughter were also in the dinner

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There is no room for argument on this subject. The stamps, according to postal rulings provide 6c for airmail postage and 10c for a special delivery fee and postmasters are expected to see that they are used in that manner. The mere fact that some of them got through without being caught is right in line with the years when as a kid, I used to climb under the circus tent and thus get in for nothing. If I got caught I knew that it cost 50c to see the circus but if I did not get caught I knew that the circus was free.

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August 16, the first day of their annual gala sports days. It is possible that this may be a three-day affair as the cachet includes all three days. An upright rectangle is the form of the cachet in purple incorporating pictures of a farm stead and a water fall. . . . Dept. of Commerce reports new airport at McPherson, Kans., about one mile southeast; a new one at Lake City, Mich., called Underwood Airport, located 2.7 miles north; and a new airport at Eden, Tex., called Tisdale Field, nineteen miles southwest. . . . J. P. Miller of the Mariposa Drug Co., Mariposa, Calif., will hold covers for the dedication of their airport but it is doubtful whether the project will be completed. . . . Tentative dates of the All American Air Races at Miami have been set for December 10, 11, and 12 and we believe that Friend Speakman will give us more definite news later.... The American Cover Club selected Decorah, Iowa, for honors for the month of June as to cachets for airport dedications. . . . We understand that an airport has been completed at the entrance of

Garretson, S. D., dedicated on Yellowstone Park, anyone know any

We expect to see some British-U. S. trans-Atlantic trial flights as soon as the British government okays things. Joint flights will undoubtedly be made by the Imperial and Pan-American by the way of Canada and by the way of the Azores. . . . A correspondent in Canada requests information as to when the R-100 visited Montreal. According to information at hand, it visited Montreal on August 13, 1930. Other dates are not at hand regarding this ship. . . . A certain eastern dealer held a special rocket flight in December of 1935 purportedly from Newark to New York and covers seen bear a green and red special stamp, but the regulation air mail stamp was not postmarked until in May.

Cincinnati Rarity Bought by Columbus Man

At the S. P. A. Convention in Cincinnati last week, the rarest stamp on exhibition was displayed on the bourse table of the Columbus Postage Stamp Company of Columbus, Ohio. This stamp was a Fraser & Co., Cincinnati Local stamp issued by Hiram Fraser when he was a letter carrier in Cincinnati in 1848.

The stamp was a copy of the 2c blue green on a large and handsome valentine envelope and came originally from the collection of a Columbus man who was from an old Cincinnati family and the cover was an original find by this man in his own family correspondence.

The Columbus collection was acquired by George W. Linn some months ago and the cover has now been purchased by Mr. Oscar A. Schenck for \$250.00. Mr. Schenck is best known for his world famous collection of stamps of Mexico in which there are many examples of the only known copies or pieces of the greatest rarities of Mexico.

Cover Collectors Out of Luck

The Crown Agents for the Colonies have been requested by the Secretary of State to give instructions to Colonial Postmasters that a request from Stamp Dealers or Collectors to cancel stamps affixed to envelopes and return them through the mail, that the Postmaster is to return the envelope under official cover with a note to the effect that they are forbidden to comply with the request. Colonial Postmasters have been forbidden for sometime by a previous order to affix stamps to covers for Collectors or Dealers. This Postmaster ban is right. This will stop, at least in a great measure, these "cancelled to order" covers. A real cover is one that has done duty. The rule, if rigidly enforced, will do much to maintain the high standard of British Empire stamps. The British Officials are going to have no monkey business with British Stamps. This recent order was probably brought about by dealers swamping the Colonial Postmasters with Jubilee covers some to cancel and return and some even asked the Postmaster to put whole sets of stamps on hundreds of covers. Someone always spoils a good thing. Now Collectors who want a legitimate First Day Cover will be denied the opportunity.

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A2-5c sepia (Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

BELGIUM—Baggage Labels. In July var-ious Parcels Post Stamps were issued with a two line overprint "Babages Reisgoed." These two line overprint Babages Reisgoed. These are used on advice notices accompanying luggage carried by the State Railways. They are not considered as postage stamps and for that reason probably will not be listed in any standard stamp catalogs. However, we note them here so that readers may recognize them them here so that readers may recognize them for what they are when they see them. The Scott numbers of the values so overprinted are: 1239, 1241 to 1245, 1251, 1253, 1254, 1257 to 1268, and 1277 & 1278, all numbers inclus-

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

BRITISH HONDURAS—The current 25c black on emerald has been printed on a paler shade of paper, which makes the black design stand out much more clearly than before.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

CEYLON-The Commissioner of Stamps for CELLUN—The Commissioner of Stamps for Ceylon is at present considering a number of designs for the new King Edward stamps. This information implies that, although the island has only recently been supplied with a new set of pictorials, it will not be merely a question of replacing the portrait of the Late King George. King George.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

DENMARK — 400th Anniversary of the Church Reformation in Denmark Commemo-ratives. Line engraved, printed in sheets of 100, perf. 13, unwmkd:

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rose (same) (R. Roberts)

Two more values of the same set, as noted below, are expected to follow shortly:

5 ore, green (Nikolai Church) 7 " mauve (same)

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

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Officials. Darwin stamps (noted by us March 21st) overprinted "OFFICIAL" in black, thick Roman capitals, close set, 13mm long, 2mm high:

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EGYPT—Further on the forthcoming King Farouk stamps. An effort will be made to get the whole of the new issue on sale on his Coronation Day, April 28, 1937. Before this date it is quite likely that other low values in the latest King Fuad type will be issued as it is believed that some values have already been printed.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

HONG KONG—We learn that the 3c, 8c, 12c and 50c values are likely to be dropped from the current set.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

INDIA—Jaipur. Provisionals have been issued as noted below; overprinted with the words "One Rupee":

Ir on 2r Ir on 5r

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

Patiala Official Stamp, Another value to go with the one chronicled in our notes of August 1st; overprinted in two lines, "PA-TIALA STATE SERVICE":

1a dark brown

(R. Roberts)

LUXEMBURG—Philatelic Issue. A Philatelic Exhibition and International Bourse held in Luxemburg August 26th to September 2nd, will be the occasion for a special set of stamps. The set will be on sale from August 26th to the end of October, unless stocks are exhausted at an earlier date. They are all of the same design, showing the Palais Municipal (Town Hall), at the base is shown tharms of Luxemburg and at the top "He Congres F.I.P.—1936". Values and colors are:

10c sepia 35c green 70c orange 1fr carmine 1.25fr violet 1.75fr blue

(Whitfield, King & Co.)

The Intellectual set (Scott's Nos. 367-381 in the addenda of the 1936 catalog) became obsolete on April 30th, but remain valid for postage until the end of this year. The unsoid remainders have been destroyed. Following are the quantities sold of each value: 5c-293.615: 10c-155.087; 15c-129.651; 20c-95.351; 35c-42.242; 50c-34.072; 70c-32.245; 1fr-29.010; 1.25fr-61.580; 1.75fr-15.286; 2fr-13.239; 3fr-11.802; 5fr-10.942; 10fr9.663; and 20fr-9.582.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

NICARAGUA—Provisional. Two values have been surcharged in black in three lines, as noted below "RESELLO 1936 VALE UN CENTAVO" or "DOS CENTAVOS." Unwinkd.

A38—1c on 3c blue A38—2c on 5c sepia

Air Mail Provisional. Under noted over-printed and surcharged in three lines, same as Scott's #1108 in the addenda of the 1936 catalog, except that the word "Diez" replaces the figures "10." Overprint is in red:

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Add to 17th edition Bureau Cata-100.

Akron, O., 14c ord, No. 85 .25 1.25 (omitted in error)

Correct page 32, St. Louis, Mo., two lines following B123 2c coil, to read .

B124 3c .10 B125 4c .40 1.00

Page 60. Correct price of single PC10 to .15 instead of .51.

-Dr. W. I. Mitchell.

MORE ABOUT THE GENERAL CATALOG

The new catalog will be a looseleaf affair with solid post binding. It will be known as Part 2 and will include issues from 1922 to 1935. Part I when printed will contain issues to and including the Pilgrim It is estimated that Part 2 will require 1300 pages, and I understand that although the same method of printing will be used as in the last catalog the size of type will be a little larger and much more legible. Here is the price scale of Part 2:

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alog of the double line types. So don't be surprised if some time during the winter such a catalog is announced.

THE EXHIBITION

Each and every exhibition to me is the same. There is always a wonderful array of fine and interesting material displayed. Because of the different sections of the country the conventions are held in, the displays vary considerable and there is not the sameness that you will find in general stamp shows. I could recite to great length of the different exhibits but that would soon become monotonous. Suffice to say that it was a great show, with the bulk of the displays showing New England most extensively.

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comical drawing to "The Saturday press, The every day collector would Evening Post" of August 29th in then be able to get his sheet as a large quantity of the last printing has been gobbled up by speculators. Wouldn't that give the speculators a jolt. Some time ago there were 1000 copies of Scott's No. 524-\$5 green and black unused U.S. in a post office in New one of the carriers states "He's teach- Jersey and a Wall Street man heard of it. He immediately bought up the whole supply, and these stamps will not see the light of day for many years, and you and the next person going to that particular postoffice would never have been able to buy a single copy for the old collection. Ten, twenty, or even one hundred, thousand dollars seems to be nothing for the speculators in Wall Street to spend for stamps in the Agency or elsewhere, and the funny part of it is they are not collectors in any sense of the word.

> Bob Davis, whom we consider one of the most interesting travelers and reconteurs of our day, in his column in "The New York Sun," in a chapter written about the island of St. Helena, where Napoleon was imprisoned, states that: "The proper place to line up village gossip is at the postoffice. Some of the best stories that ever came my way have been gathered where the mails arrive and depart.

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Custom Duty on Stamps

Mr. P. M. Weiss of the Queen City Stamp Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, has called our attention to a situation which will prove of great situation as has now arisen. inconvenience and much expense to the stamp collector and dealer unless there is a change of heart on the part of the people who are responsible for application of the ruling.

familiar with the fact that articles manufactured in foreign countries must be marked "Made in Japan" or in the country of origin, what-time on record that Frank Coes has ever that country may be.

Mr. Weiss states that this ruling is now being applied to postage stamps imported into this country, that he is told by Customs Officers that packets of stamps must each be marked, that a bundle of 100 stamps must be marked on the band enclosing the bundle. The ruling is believed to state that the "container must be marked.

It is readily evident to any stamp man that this ruling if applied to postage stamps is both nonsensical and ridiculous. We know that the object of the ruling in the first place is to protect American made goods by marking the foreign made article so that the American buyer can be helped in selecting goods of home make.

In the case of postage stamps, we all know that a Czechoslovakian stamp must come originally from that country, there is no reason for discrimination or for marking such a stamp. The only situation where it might be practical to apply this specific custom ruling would be in the case of variety packets which are imported and sold as packets and even in that situation, many such packets when imported are broken up and sold and thus the application of the ruling means nothing and protects no one.

Customs rulings and laws are desirable in their proper place and when properly applied but when they Chicago, III, become nuisances and are applied

without reason to articles such as postage stamps of foreign countries which can originate only in those countries, the rulings should be applied by men who are broad minded enough to realize the folly of such a

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We have just been informed by the Post Office Department, Union of South Africa, that there will not be issued a souvenir sheet or a commemorative stamp covering the Empire Exhibition at Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, September 15th, 1936, to January 15th, 1937.

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